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U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY POLLUTION REPORT

1. HEADING

Date:

March 24, 1999

Subject:

Crest Hill Trailer Site, Route 53, Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois

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POLREP Number: POLREP 1 (Initial&Final)

II. BACKGROUND

Site No: N/A

Task Order #: 15

Response Authority: CERCLA (ERB)

CERCLIS No.: N/A

Start (Mobilization) Date: 3/22/00

Completion Date: 3/23/00

Demobilization Date: 3/22/00

NPL Status: Non-NPL

III. SITE INFORMATION

A. Incident Category

CERCLA incident category: Emergency Response

B. Site Description

1. Site Location

The Crest Hill Abandoned Trailer is located on Route 53 north of the E.J.& E viaduct, south of old Speedway gas station on the west side of the roadway in Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois. The removal action seeks to mitigate threats to human health and the environment posed by the presence of approximately one Fuel tank, 23 acetylene-type cylinders and two 55 gallon drums of paint waste and thinners found in the abandoned trailer. The removal action would abate the actual or potential release of hazardous substances which threaten public health, welfare and the environment.

2. Description of threat

The immediate health threat to be addressed is risk due to direct contact and ingestion/inhalation by local community and passers-by.

C. Preliminary Assessment/Site Inspection Results

Will County Emergency Management Agency received an Emergency call from Crest Hill Police Department on March 16, 2000 about an abandoned trailer on Route 53 that possibly contains hazardous material inside. Will County Emergency Management requested the assistance of IEPA who then requested the presence of US.EPA on site.

IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation

1. Removal Activities to Date

U.S. EPA ERB preformed an emergency removal on March 22, 2000. IEPA, Will County Emergency Management, Crest Hill Police Department and Lockport Fire Department were present during the removal activities. During removal, a Drum was sampled for Disposal parameters. The Drums fuel tank and 23 cylinders were staged on visqueen for inventory. Upon completion of inventory, the Drums were overpacked and transported to a city of Crest Hill municipal facility for secure storage.

Removal activities to date include:

- 1. Equipment and personnel were mobilized to the site on 3/22/00.
- 2. Perimeter and personnel air monitoring were performed.
- 3. Equipment and personnel were demobilized from the site on 3/200. Desired
- 4. Drums were overpacked and labeled.
- Site-derived personal protective equipment (PPE) was drummed.
- 6. All cylinders (totaling 23) and Drums were transported to a City of Crest Hill municipal facility.

2. Enforcement

U.S. EPA and Crest Hill Police Department are coordinating a joint investigation to locate a responsible party.

B. Next Steps

Disposal of 23 cylinders and drums stored at City of Crest Hill municipal facility.

C. Key Issues

- Procurement of disposal facility for drummed wastes.
- Storage limit of 90 days at City of Crest Hill municipal facility for drummed wastes.
- City of Crest Hill making arrangements for the removal of the trailer and no-hazardous debris.

V. COST INFORMATION

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